



South Central District Health

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Free Immunizations Available for Children During ‘Day of Caring’

South Central District Health and the United Way of South Central Idaho, through a grant from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, are hoping to give a boost to immunization levels by offering free immunizations to children.

Free clinics (by appointment only) to help improve immunization levels for south central Idaho children are scheduled for Sept. 25, 26 and 27 at South Central District Health offices in Bellevue, Burley, Gooding, Jerome, Rupert, Shoshone, and Twin Falls. Funds being provided by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center through the United Way of South Central Idaho will cover the cost of the usual administration fee of \$18 per child for all state-supplied childhood immunizations during each scheduled free clinic. Although any child under age 19 needing childhood immunizations can receive the free service, two groups are especially targeted for these clinics: Birth to 2-year-olds and 12- to 18-year-olds.

Children who are under the age of 2 are often behind on their fourth shot of Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP) vaccine. Teens age 11 to 18 are often need their second MMR immunization if they were born after 1989, as well as a booster of Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (TDaP).

The dates and locations of the free clinics are as follows (please call for an appointment):

CITY	FREE CLINIC DATE AND TIME	LOCATION	BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Bellevue	Monday, Sept. 25 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 117 East Ash St. 788-4335	By appointment only Call 788-4335
Burley	Tuesday, Sept. 26 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 2311 Parke Ave., Unit 4, Ste. 4 678-8221	By appointment only Call 678-8221
Gooding	Monday, Sept. 25 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 145 7 th Avenue East. 934-4477	By appointment only Call 934-4477
Jerome	Tuesday, Sept. 26 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 951 East Avenue H 324-8838	By appointment only Call 324-8838
Rupert	Wednesday, Sept. 27 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 1218 9 th St., Suite 15 436-7185	By appointment only Call 436-7185
Shoshone	Tuesday, Sept. 26 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.	SCDH Office 104 West B 934-4477	By appointment only Call 934-4477
Twin Falls	Tuesday, Sept. 26 3 – 6 p.m.	SCDH Office 1020 Washington St. North 737-5900	By appointment only Call 737-5900

United Way and SCDH have offered similar free immunization clinics in past years.

Idaho's Immunization Law requires five doses of Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTP), three doses of Polio, two doses of Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR), and three doses of Hepatitis B (for all children born on or after November 22, 1991) before children can enter school.

In addition to the recommended doses for children entering school, it is suggested that all school age children receive Chickenpox (Varicella), Hepatitis A, and a fourth dose of Polio vaccine. A booster dose of Tetanus, Diphtheria with Pertussis (TDaP) for all students aged 11 to 18 is also strongly encouraged. Menactra, vaccine to protect against meningitis is also recommended for 15-18 year olds.

South Central District Health recommends that children receive immunizations on the following schedule:

GENERAL SCHEDULE FOR IMMUNIZATIONS

AGE⇒ VACCINE ↓	BIRTH	2 MOS	4 MOS	6 MOS	12-18 MOS	2 YEARS	4-6 YEARS	11-12 YEARS
DTaP		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Polio		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
MMR					<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hib		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			
Hep B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>
PCV		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Varicella					<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
Hep A						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Td								<input type="checkbox"/>

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